

by the British coast survey and our own, he will receive as fair, very fair in our view, as far as bounty, precision, and exactitude are concerned. And if he will give and execute the charts made during the work of the coast survey I think he will be charged by the Navy Department, I think, he will be charged, as compared with those now executed, merely with some slight painter compared with a *chef d'œuvre* of a painter, comparably inferior. And so likewise greatly inferior in the best charts made in Great Britain. Our work undertaken by the Navy Department in honor to the country, and it is not much for the diffusion of science. It has at the time that the Americans who took the place of a distinguished artist who was said to be the only man who could conduct it as well as the Americans have developed the whole system as it is now.